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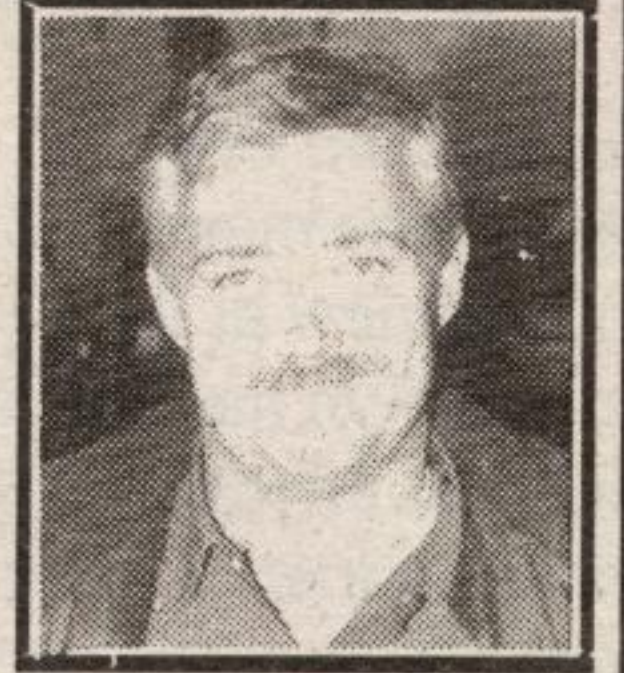
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DYNAMIC DUO!

Acton Aqua Duck veteran swimmers Kara MacDonald, left, and Gareth Lichty, right, were all smiles, along with their coach Gerry Ockenden, after the recent Richmond Hill meet where the pair won plaques for attaining the highest point totals throughout the event in their age groups. MacDonald competed in the 15-and-over Girls' category, while Gareth shone in the 13 and 14-year-old Boys' bracket. (Doug Harrison photo)

It's Mayor Marilyn!

BY FRANCES NIBLOCK
 The Acton Tanner

"Relief and surprise." Halton Hills mayor-elect Marilyn Serjeantson was flooded with both emotions late Monday night when it became evident that she had defeated all seven of her challengers and, after 17 years on council, was taking over the mayor's office.

Although Serjeantson took an early lead in the voting, she did not feel confident enough of her victory to come to the Civic Centre in Georgetown until after 11 pm, when most voters had gone home.

"I knew it was going to be close and part of me was confident, but the other part wasn't," Serjeantson said as she savored her win, surrounded by her family and several newly elected Councillors.

"I weathered this campaign in a pretty tough fashion and actually, I was fairly comfortable the whole time.

"I wasn't comfortable that I was going to win, but just that I could accept the outcome," Serjeantson explained.

The unofficial results show that with a 38 per cent voter turn-out, Serjeantson received 3,218 votes, almost 400 more votes than her most serious challenger, former councillor Mike Armstrong.

Councillor Pam Johnston ran a distant third, followed by former publisher and Chamber of Commerce president Bob Malcolmson, who finished fourth. Rob Barlow, Colin Gibson, Salvica Ozgeylani and Craig Harrison came in fifth to eighth place respectively.

As she prepares to take over from retiring mayor Russ Miller, Serjeantson promised that Acton issues will be near the top of her agenda.

"We are going to continue working for a population of 10,000 in Acton. We are still going to work for the arena which I presume we will start building in the spring.

"I also will continue to support Acton's downtown revitalization."

There were no surprises in Acton as the three incumbent councillors — the veteran trio of Norm Elliott, Gerald Rennie and Rick Bonnette — were easily returned to office.

After congratulating Serjeantson, Elliott said he was "satisfied and comfortable" with the outcome of the Mayor's race.

"I'm grateful that somebody who has been inside council is

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Yuk it up

After the election campaign, this is definitely what we need: Acton High's student council is hosting an evening of laughs featuring the Yuk Yuks comedy troupe Friday night in the school cafeteria.

The \$5 admission price is payable at the door, which opens at 6 pm (show time is at 7).

"We're trying something new with this show and we're inviting all members of the community," explained staff advisor Dorothy Platnar yesterday (Tuesday).



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